Jagadguru Kripalu Parishat

Monuments of Love

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an Introduction and Key information on Kirti Mandir





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Amongst the many unique and beautiful temples in India, stands three magnificent temples that have been inspired and built through the will and inspiration of Jagadguru Shri Kripalu Ji Maharaj. There are many reasons behind the building of a temple, but one of the core reasons is to have a physical monument that reminds us of the existence and love of God and His Saints. As soon as you walk into any of these wondrous temples, Bhakti Mandir (in Bhakti Dham, Mangarh), Prem Mandir (in Vrindavan) or Kirti Mandir (in Barsana), you will be in awe of the stunning beauty of God. Each temple has similar elements built in them, including writings that are embedded within the walls so that one can learn the essence of the Vedas and its teachings. Everything you see brings you closer to the Divine. Jagadguru Kripalu Parishat invites everyone to these amazing **Monuments of Love**.

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BHAKTI MANDIR Inaugurated on 17th Nov 2005

Beauty can never be described because every mind perceives beauty differently. However, we can all agree on one thing, beauty is an element of love. All humans are innately responsive to beauty, even when we are not thinking about it. Our brains associate beauty with good. To this effect, some of the most wellknown monuments in this world are extremely beautiful and thus attract the mind easily. This is one of the reasons that Saints build such beautiful and attractive temples. They help to attract the mind to the 'higher', to the Divine and to our true purpose in life. Otherwise, with the world around us so attractive at times, why would we even think of the Divine?

Bhakti Mandir, one of the most beautiful temples in the world, was constructed with the guidance of Jagadguru Shri Kripalu Ji Maharaj. As soon as you walk into the temple, you will find the breathtaking deities of Shri Radha Krishna, Shri Sita Rama, Shri Krishna Balaram, the 8 Maha-sakhis of Shri Radha Rani, the deity of Jagadguruttam and Shri Amma Ji (Guru-Ma) and many other beautiful sculptures.

This unique temple is made from Makrana marble, granite and pink sandstone, decorated with beautiful mosaics, intricate inlay work and unique black granite pillars. A glimpse at the beautiful forms of Shri Radha Krishna steal the mind away from the mundane world and brings it to the Divine easily.





In beauty, the mind is attracted. In that attraction, attachment is formed and love is then experienced in the human mind. However, the love we find in the world cannot be compared to the one we find in God. So imagine then, falling in love with the Supreme Power Himself, God! Prem means Love and Prem Mandir is the embodiment of everything that represents true love. Just walk into this breathtaking temple and feel the essence of everything pure and divine within your heart.

It took twelve years and one thousand skilled artists to give Prem Mandir its special shape and design. The temple, built under the guidance of Jagadguru Shri Kripalu Ji Maharaj, is one of the most unique temples in the world.

The total height of the temple is 125 feet tall. The temple is made from gigantic blocks of grain-less, pure white Carrara Italian marble. No steel, bricks or cement have been used to bind the blocks. The temple is built to withstand the ravages of time.

There are 84 panels setup on the exterior to display the loving pastimes of Shri Krishna. Beautiful verses that explain the Vedic philosophy are inscribed on the walls of the temple.















Kirti Maiya is the divine Mother of Shri Radha Rani. Shri Radha Rani is the personification of Divine Love and is the soul of the Supreme Lord, Shri Krishna. This temple is the first of its kind in the whole world. Here, Shri Radha Rani is seen in her child-like form and sitting on the lap of Her mother. It is definitely a sight to behold.

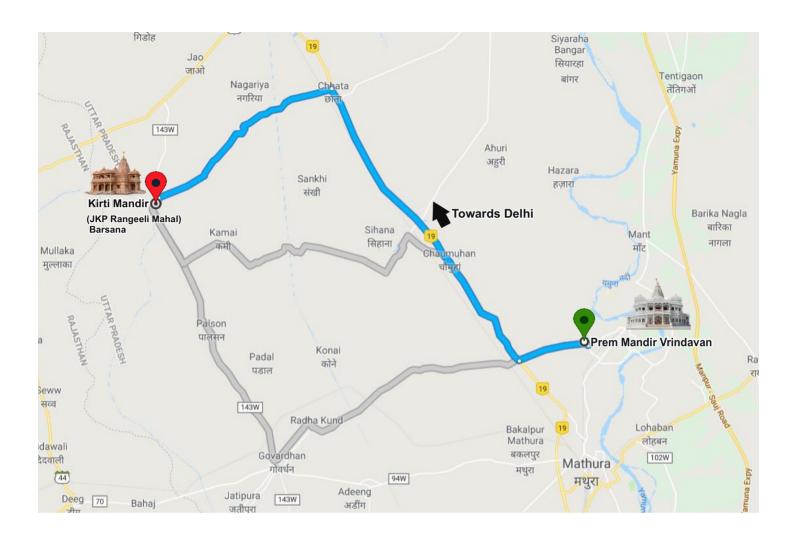
Kirti Mandir is 111 feet tall (up to its flag) and has 12 pillars made from Emerald Peri Granite. The main pillar which is near the main entrance was actually put in place by Jagadguru Shri Kripalu Ji Maharaj, who is the inspiration and guide behind this breathtaking Monument of Love. Four delicately carved panels can be found within the temple and there are 24 half pillars where the 'Sakhis' are found intricately carved into. They all seem to be smiling in joy as they are praising their beloved Shri Radha.

The temple has taken almost 12 years and around 400 labourers to build and everyone who will come will certainly fall in love with the Divine as soon as they enter.





HOW TO GET THERE



Kirti Mandir

Next to Rangeeli Mahal, Barsana, Dist. Mathura U.P. 281405

From Prem Mandir, Vrindavan to Kirti Mandir, Barsana

Kirti Mandir is approximately 40kms and less than 1-hour drive from Prem Mandir. Taxis are easily available from Vrindavan to Barsana.

From Delhi to Kirti Mandir, Barsana

Kirti Mandir is approximately 150kms and less than 3-hour drive from Delhi. Taxis are easily available from Delhi to Barsana. An option to travel by bus or train is also available.

Opening Hours

From 11th February 2019 8:30am - 12:00noon 4:30pm - 8:00pm



ABOUT OUR FOUNDER

Jagadguru Shri Kripalu Ji Maharaj is the only Saint of this age who has been honoured with the title of 'Jagadguru', the highest authority among all Hindu Vedic Saints and scholars. This title is given only to that Saint who brings about a spiritual revolution in the world through his divine teachings. Jagadguru Shri Kripalu Ji Maharaj is the supreme exponent of Sanatana Dharma, the eternal Vedic religion, and his reconciliation of all philosophies and faiths is unparalleled.

He appeared on this earth in 1922 in Mangarh, a small village near the holy city of Allahabad in India, on the auspicious night of Sharat Purnima, the full moon night of the Divine Rasa dance by Shri Krishna. Named Ram Kripalu at birth, he is known to the world today as Jagadguru Shri Kripalu Ji Maharaj and is lovingly called Shri Maharaj Ji.

During his childhood he astonished his teachers and fellow students by His extraordinary intelligence and phenomenal memory. He very quickly completed his basic education followed by the study of Sanskrit grammar, literature and Ayurveda at Indore and Varanasi. This brief period of study did not include study of the scriptures!

Shri Maharaj Ji observed that people were misguided and totally ignorant about the actual essence of the scriptures and the true form of devotional practice. To rectify this dismal spiritual state of mankind he organised huge religious conferences in Chitrakoot in the Shri Kripalu Ji Maharaj vear 1955 and in Kanpur in 1956. These conferences were

attended by the most eminent scholars and Saints of India. It was during these conferences that the scriptural omniscience of this young man was revealed to the world, and even the most learned scholars were lost in amazement.

> Impressed by Shri Maharaj Ji's extraordinarily authoritative knowledge of all the scriptures, the Kashi Vidvat Parishat, a body of 500 topmost scholars who collectively represent the foremost seat of spiritual learning in India, invited him to Kashi (Varanasi). There Shri Maharaj Ji delivered a series of discourses in Sanskrit, which left all of them spellbound and speechless. They were so highly impressed by his unparalleled knowledge of all the scriptures, which far surpassed their combined knowledge, that they honoured him with the title of 'Jagadguru', 'Spiritual Master of the whole world' on 14 January, 1957. He was only 34 years old then. The Kashi Vidvat Parishat also honoured him with the special title of 'Jagadguruttam,' 'Supreme amongst Jagadgurus.' They also declared him as 'Bhakti-Yoga-Rasavatar', Descension of Divine Love and Bliss.' In Indian history, only four Saints have been honoured with the title of 'Jagadguru' in the last 2500 years - Jagadguru Shankaracharya, Jagadguru Nimbarkacharya, Jagadguru Ramanujacharya and Jagadguru Madhvacharya. Shri Maharaj Ji is now the fifth original Jagadguru.

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